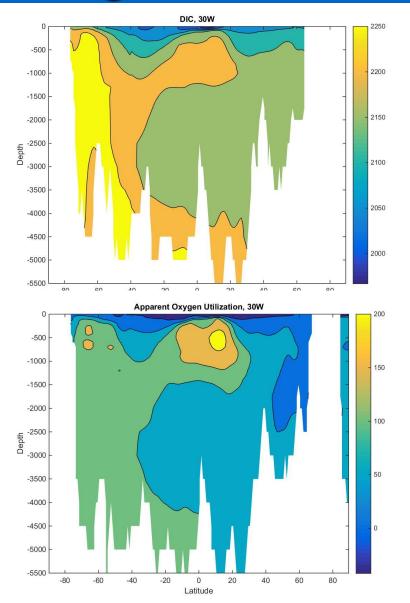
Biogeochemical responses to the ozone hole

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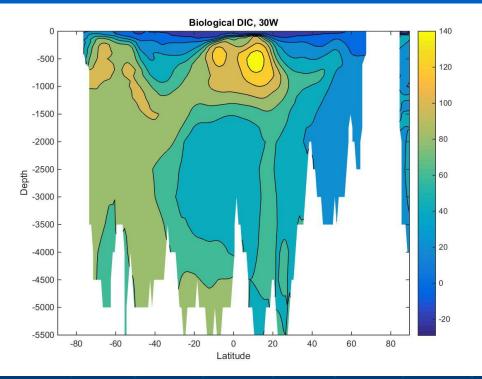
Background on carbon pumps

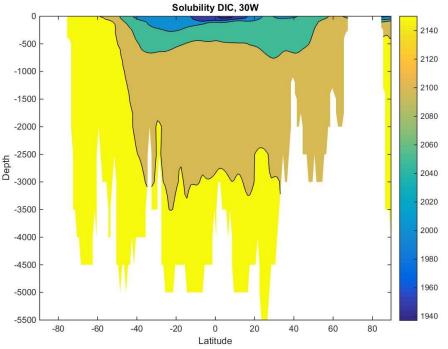


Deep ocean holds more carbon than surface ocean for two reasons.

- 1. Solubility pump- cold waters hold more DIC.
- Biological pump, organic material falls to depth and is remineralized into inorganic nutrient. This process also consumes oxygen.

Decomposing the pumps

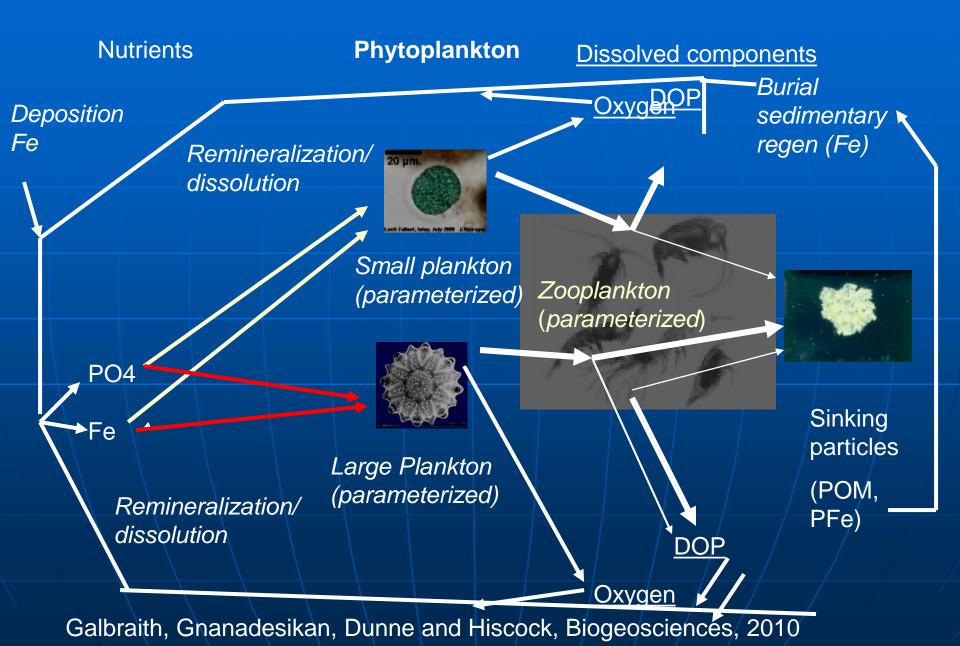




Biological: estimated from ratio of AOU to DIC

Solubility: Value in equilibrium with predindustrial pCO_2 .

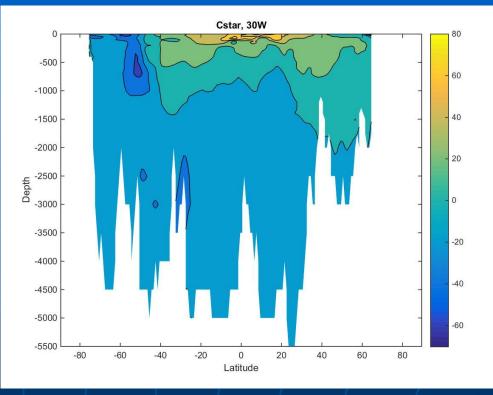
A simplified biogeochemistry model (BLING)



To compute anthropogenic carbon: Step 1...

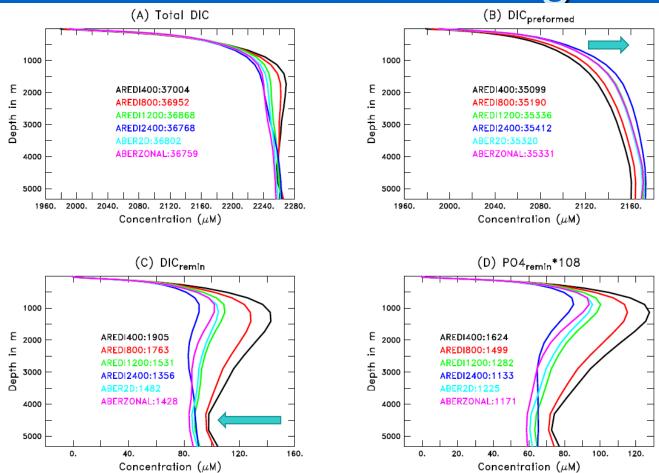
 Generally focus is on solubility.

- Remove preindustrial carbon
- Remove biological pump, remineralized calcium carbonateassume these are constant



Note negative values... Significant corrections need to be applied.

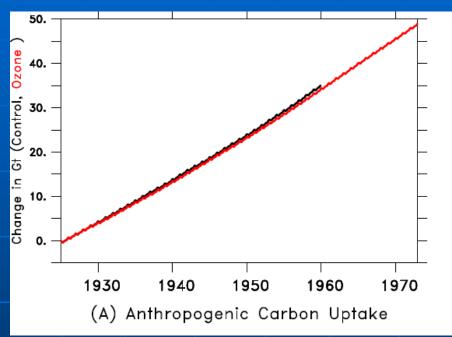
How do these pumps change as circulation changes?



Solubility: Increases as SO ventilation increases

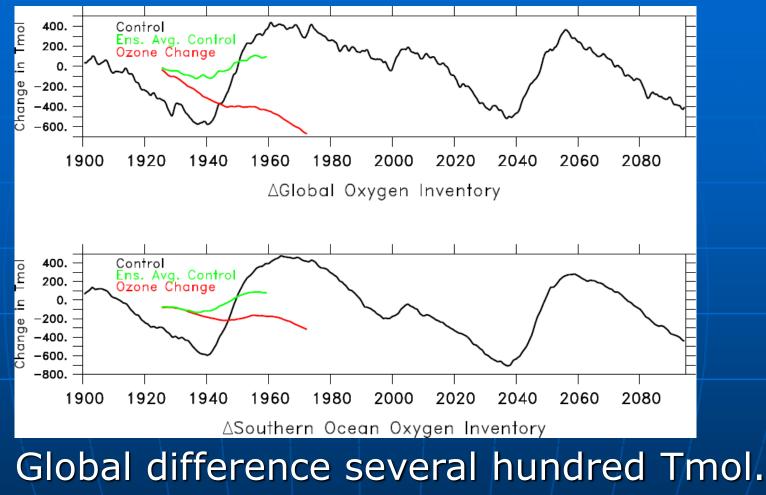
Biological: Decreases as SO ventilation increases. Gnanadesikan, Pradal and Abernathey, rev. for GBC

Carbon uptake with and without ozone hole



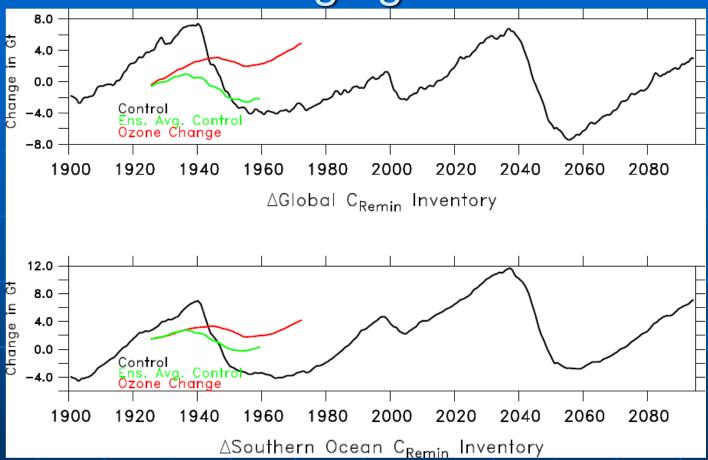
 Response over 35 years is small- a decline of about 3% of total change.
 What about other tracers?

Response of oxygen to changing ozone



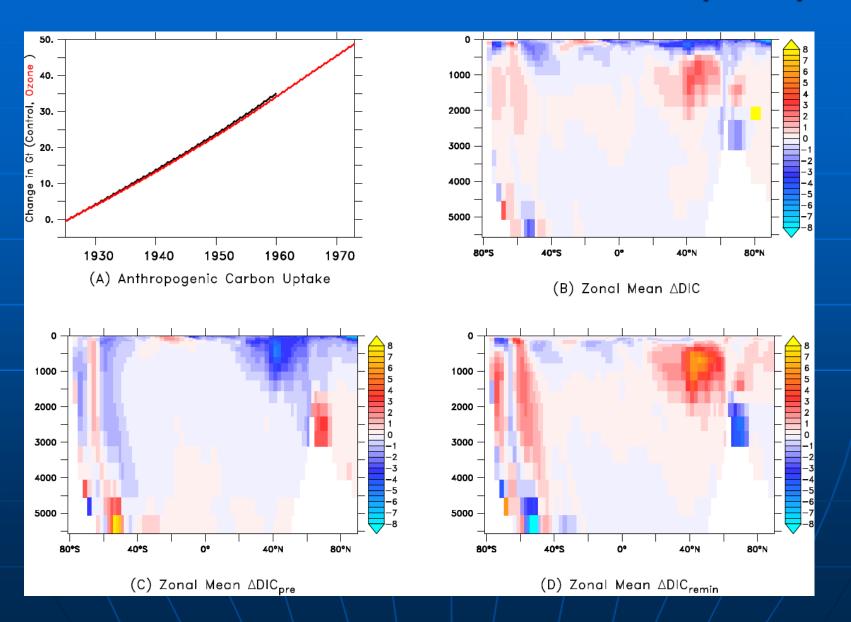
Large in comparison with natural variability.

Response of remineralized carbon to changing ozone

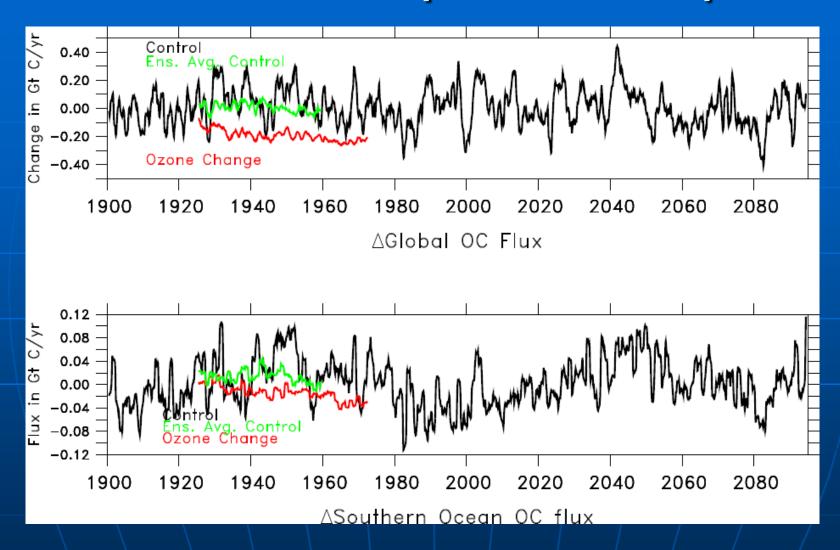


Global difference a few Gt (about 15%).
Large in comparison with natural variability.

Different behavior of different pumps

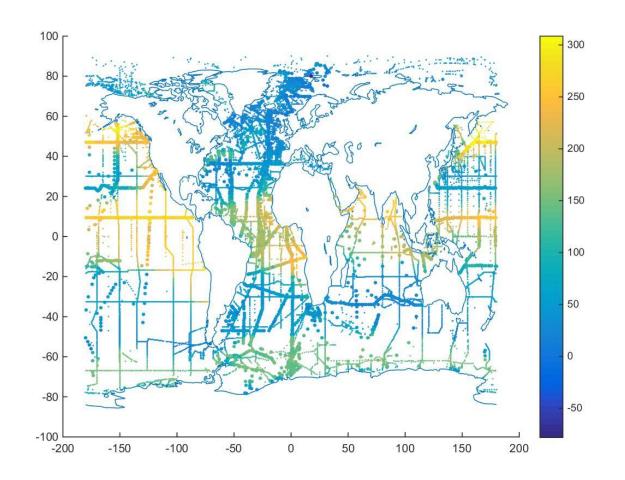


Particle export to deep



More carbon storage corresponds to lower particle flux... (but only ~2% of global export)

The challenge



Conclusions-in ESM2Mc

- While ozone has an impact on Southern Ocean carbon uptake...
- Biological and solubility pumps compensate each other...
- Making the size of the change small in comparison with natural variability.
- Observational estimates of Canthro may see a change!!
- Reduction of convection in North Pacific also important...
- But likely driven by tropospheric ozone.
- Oxygen changes more significant.